

What is claimed is:

1. A system for recycling an electronic-image recording apparatus, which includes a restricting device to restrict an image-capturing operation under a predetermined condition occurring after use of said electronic-image recording apparatus, comprising:

a readout section to read a first image signal in the basis of an image signal stored in said electronic-image recording apparatus;

a converting section to convert said first image signal, read by said readout section, into a second image signal; and

a canceling section to cancel the image-capturing restriction set by said restricting device included in said electronic-image recording apparatus.

2. The system of claim 1, further comprising:

a processing section for applying a predetermined processing to said electronic-image recording apparatus, in order to reuse it.

3. The system of claim 2,

wherein said processing section conducts a mechanical inspection process for said electronic-image recording apparatus.

4. The system of claim 2,

wherein said electronic-image recording apparatus memorizes identification data, and said processing section changes said identification data memorized in said electronic-image recording apparatus.

5. The system of claim 2,

wherein said processing section initializes said electronic-image recording apparatus.

6. The system of claim 2,

wherein said processing section erases data memorized in said electronic-image recording apparatus.

7. The system of claim 2,

wherein said processing section exchanges unusable and/or worn-out parts of said electronic-image recording apparatus with new parts.

8. The system of claim 1, further comprising:

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a recording section to record image information on a recording medium, based on said second image signal.

9. The system of claim 8,

wherein said recording section records said image information on said recording medium in a visible form.

10. The system of claim 8,

wherein said recording section stores said image information in said recording medium in a form of digital data.

11. The system of claim 1, further comprising:

an image-capturable state notifying section to notify that a number of images, recorded in said electronic-image recording apparatus, is within a range of a predetermined number, when the number of images does not exceed said predetermined number of images to be stored in said electronic-image recording apparatus.

12. The system of claim 1, further comprising:

an inserting section into which said electronic-image recording apparatus can be inserted; and

a storing section to store said electronic-image recording apparatus from which said first image signal is already read out by said readout section, in such a manner that a person, other than predetermined personnel, cannot remove said electronic-image recording apparatus from said storing section.

13. The system of claim 1,

wherein said second image signal is a general purpose image signal.

14. The system of claim 1,

wherein said first image signal is an image signal memorized in said electronic-image recording apparatus as digital signals.

15. The system of claim 1,

wherein said first image signal is digital image signals converted from an image signal, memorized in said electronic-image recording apparatus as analogue signals, through an analogue-to-digital conversion process.

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